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**CENTRAL POLICE COURT.**

**Fines.**

Brown Mr. Dowling, Mr. Mobery, Mr. J. West, tertius, and Mr. Ross.

Ten persons pleading guilty to having been found drunk in the streets, and were severally sentenced to pay 20s. penalty with the usual alternative.

William Fenwick and Mary Turner were convicted of having made use of obscene language in public places, to the annoyance of other persons therein : Fenwick was sentenced to pay 40s., or to be imprisoned for fourteen days; and Irwin to pay 30s., or to be imprisoned for three days. Edward Turner, for molesting a constable in the discharge of his duty, was sentenced to pay a penalty of 40s. John Smith, for having unlawfully and without leave, and contrary to express order, absented himself from the hired service of Edward Burton, was sentenced to be imprisoned for a week and to be returned his master's tools.

Silken Mullally, the keeper of a brothel in Goughn- street, was charged by Mary Sheward, one of her lodgers, with having on the 19th ultimo, violently assaulted her. On the day in question, complainant stated she was washing up some tubs when defendant, who had come to see if there was anything whatever, took up a candlestick and with it struck her a violent blow on the forehead, over the left eye, inflicting a deep wound, which for a long time bled profusely, at the same time saying, "Take that, you London flamer!" She then said she drank stout previously, and was sober enough ; a young woman was up-stairs at the time, but they two were down-stairs alone. Defendant was found guilty under the

The summons list was very light. Two persons were fined 20s. each for disorderly conduct in the streets, on the way home from the regatta, "slightly elevated;" a female for indecent language, was fined a similar amount; and a publican, for delaying to open

that he heard him knocking, but did not see him; and that the police demanded admittance; and, on the other side it was admitted that the defendant was hard of hearing; hence the mitigated penalty. The postponed case of Kelly v. Israel, in which defendant was charged with obtaining money under false pretences, was called on before Messrs. R. and West. Mr. Cory again appeared for defendant. Mr. Ross said, that before proceeding with the case Mr. Cory

And disrespected him last yesterday. Mr. Coffey said that so far from having any apology to offer, he felt that an apology was rather due from him for their worshipers, and mentioned several authorities tending to show that he was justified in asserting his right to cross-examine the witness. Mr. Moffat admitted that, as a general principle, Mr. Coffey was right, but that this was a peculiar case, in which the general principle ought to be departed from. Mr.

appearing as counsel for defendant after so difference-  
mously throwing up the case yesterday. Mr. Cory  
said he now appeared as defendant's attorney  
at his attorney. Defendant said he was satisfied that  
Mr. Cory should have the conduct of his defense.  
Mr. Rose said that the case was postponed yesterday,  
in order to enable defendant to engage the services of  
another attorney; and unless either Mr. Cory apolo-  
gized, or another attorney were engaged, he would not

by Mr. Keenan offering to take the case for Mr. Roberts—who was in the first instance retained by defendant, and for whom Mr. Cory yesterday appeared, but was now out of town—to which defendant assented. Mr. Cory left the court, and the case proceeded. The inquiry lasted about two hours, and resulted in a dismissal.

FRIDAY.  
BEFORE the Water Police Magistrate.

Mary Ann Cox, an old woman of most disreputable character, the major part of the last two years of whose life, owing to her drunken propensities, has been spent in the goals of the colony, with apparently no good result, was again convicted of drunkenness: evidence of former convictions was given by Inspector Bindon, and defendant was sent to her old quarters in Darling.

Margaret Prowse was brought before the Bench this morning, on suspicion of being concerned in a robbery which took place at the shop of Mr. Freehill, baker, Lower George-street, on the night of the 19th of last month, when a desk containing papers and money was stolen. Sergeant Elliott, who was the apprehending constable in this case, and through whose suggestions the arrest was made, deposes that he saw the prisoner on the "tans," to which, however, he belongs, here.

ment proved that after several ineffectual attempts to discover who had committed this robbery, discovered that the prisoner had had the desk in her possession and had given it to a dealer as payment of a debt she owed him. The sergeant therefore went to her house, when she admitted having had the desk in her possession, and had disposed of it as above mentioned, but stated that her son had found it. Mr. Freshill proved that the desk produced was his.

prisoner in satisfaction of debt due from her to him, and that she stated she found it. As the constable stated that by Monday he would be able to produce further evidence, the prisoner was remanded until that day, being admitted to bail on her own surety of £10 and two others of £20 each.

Three seamen were brought up on suspicion of being deserters, one was returned to his ship at the captain's request, and the others were

By his Excellency Sir William Thomas Denison,  
Knight, Governor-General in and over all her Ma-  
jesty's Colonies of New South Wales, Tasmania,  
Victoria, South Australia, and Western Australia.

Whereas the Legislative Council of New South Wales has now stands prorogued to Tuesday, the 12th day of February proximo, and it is expedient further to prorogue the same: Now therefore, I, Sir William Thomas Denison, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested as Governor of the said colony, do hereby further prorogue the said Legislature

Given under my hand and seal at Government House, Sydney, this thirty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the nineteenth year of her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.) W. DENISON.

By his Excellency's command,  
E. DEAR THOMSON.

WAUGH AND COX'S BOOK ALMANAC FOR 1856.—We have just received a copy of the above annual, being the seventh, we believe, issued by the enterprising firm whose name it bears. Like all its predecessors the work is replete with the most valuable and varied information, and in point of style, typography,

no subject of political, social, or religious interest left untouched, and the manner in which the information conveyed is at once facile, compendious, and complete. It is useful alike to the new-comer and to the old, and, from the variety and general character of the knowledge imparted, it may be said to possess a sort of universal interest. If we mistake not, the present annual is much larger and more varied in

and compensation, if it has not gained, it has certainly lost nothing. The following are the principal matters treated on:—Eclipses of the sun and moon, astronomical position of the calendar, dialling, general tide table for Australia, tide table for Sydney Cove, holidays in public offices, month of the Jewish year, agriculture, itinerary of New South Wales, gazetteer of New South Wales, height of the principal mountains, British and Foreign intelligence, Colonial

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societies, miscellaneous companies, insurance com-  
panies, steam companies, Mint, bonded  
stores, consuls, statistics, postage rates, mails, &c.,

Statute Act, and for Registering Births, &c., the new Marriage Act, and an abstract of the revenue to December, 1855.

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